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HONORING OLEXIS BRIANNA  
 HAYMON

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 13, 2015*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor a goal oriented student, Olexis Brianna Haymon.

Olexis is the daughter of Otha and Debra Haymon, longtime residents of Pickens, Mississippi.

Olexis Brianna Haymon possesses a 4.0 grade-point average since she was in kindergarten. Currently a 12th-grader, Olexis Brianna Haymon is no stranger to community service. Whenever the town of Pickens, Mississippi has its cleanup days, Olexis is always right there doing her part to help her community.

In addition to that, Olexis often volunteers to help her mother, Debra Haymon, an employee of Mid-Delta Home Health, with community health fairs. She is also an active participant in the Leadership program of the Mississippi State Extension Service for Holmes County, Mississippi.

Olexis has made history as the first queen of the recently merged Holmes County Central High School of 2014–2015. The Holmes County School District merged all three of its high schools into one newly-named school for educational enhancement. Olexis is Miss Holmes County Central High School.

Not only is Olexis active in her community, but also active in her school as well. She is a member of the PTSA (Parent Teacher Student Association) in which she is responsible for the school membership drive. According to one of her teachers, "She encourages and provides help to fellow classmates because she believes in helping everyone succeed." She definitely tries to be a role model for the 9th graders. Her high school counselor commented in a letter of reference that "Olexis is a well-rounded person. She is well behaved, has great personality and has many leadership qualities."

Olexis also actively served as the 2014 president for her school's Jobs for Mississippi Graduates (JMG) program. Recently, she earned first place in the Community Students Learning Center's Annual Essay Writing Contest and thereby was the recipient of the Community Students Learning Center's Scholarship Award in the amount of \$500.00. Olexis plans to use her CSLC scholarship winnings toward her college pursuit in nursing at Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Olexis Brianna Haymon, as a student who is goal oriented and making a difference in her community.

OUR UNCONSCIONABLE NATIONAL  
 DEBT

**HON. MIKE COFFMAN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 13, 2015*

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, on January 20, 2009, the day President Obama took office, the national debt was \$10,626,877,048,913.08.

Today, it is \$18,152,456,926,656.13. We've added \$7,525,579,877,743.05 to our debt in 6 years. This is over \$7.5 trillion in debt our nation, our economy, and our children could have avoided with a balanced budget amendment.

CELEBRATING THE PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE HONORABLE PATRICIA WALSH

**HON. LEONARD LANCE**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 13, 2015*

Mr. LANCE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate the public service of the Honorable Patricia Walsh, member of the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders, as she is honored by the Boy Scouts of America during the 2015 Tribute to Women Awards.

Freeholder Walsh has for years been a dedicated public servant to the Somerset County community and her native Green Brook. Her many accomplishments and contributions to the county, its residents and New Jersey have improved the lives of many. As a member of the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders, she has held various positions, including director of board, deputy director and liaison to many community programs and departments serving the 21 municipalities in Somerset County. Prior to her service as a Freeholder, Pat was Mayor of Green Brook and a member of the governing body.

Freeholder Walsh has been of service to many public interest groups and volunteer organizations, political campaigns and party political activities and has earned numerous awards honors for her time and service to each.

Freeholder Walsh and her colleagues on the Board of Chosen Freeholders have worked tirelessly for years to ensure that Somerset County is a wonderful place to live and raise a family. Their management of the county finances, parks, health care system, education and public works has made Somerset one of the best counties in America.

I congratulate Patricia Walsh for her well-earned recognition.

TRIBUTE TO DR. RAYMOND M.  
 MADDOX

**HON. LUKE MESSER**

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 13, 2015*

Mr. MESSER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of Dr. Raymond M. Maddox, a well-known dentist and respected member of the Rushville community.

Dr. Maddox was a devoted husband, father, and grandfather. He was married to his wife Kay Maddox for 43 years. Together, they had two children and four grandchildren. A lifelong Hoosier, Ray attended Taylor University and graduated with a bachelor's degree in both biology and chemistry in 1971. After college, he attended and graduated from Indiana University's School of Dentistry in 1975 to pursue a professional dental career. Dr. Maddox then practiced dentistry in Rushville and Hartford City for several decades.

In addition to his practice, he served in many leadership roles in the dental community. He was the past president of the Indiana Dental Association, delegate to the American Dental Association caucus 7th district, fellow of the American College of Dentists, president of the American College of Dentistry-Indiana Foundation, vice speaker of IDA House of Delegates, and Parliamentarian of IDA House of Delegates.

Although Ray was known as a great dentist and as someone dedicated to his profession, he was respected and loved for much more than that. Members of the community, his family and friends loved him for his ability to create meaningful relationships and brighten the lives of all those with whom he came in contact.

Ray Maddox was my friend. I will never forget his smile, his positive attitude and his strong support of my own career in public service. They don't come any more loyal than Ray Maddox.

Today, it is my privilege to honor his life and legacy. My thoughts and prayers go out to Ray's family, and may God comfort those he left behind with his peace and strength.

IN SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF  
 MASON JESSING ON HIS OFFER  
 OF APPOINTMENT TO ATTEND  
 THE UNITED STATES NAVAL  
 ACADEMY

**HON. ROBERT E. LATTI**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 13, 2015*

Mr. LATTI. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to pay special tribute to an outstanding student from Ohio's Fifth Congressional District. I am pleased to announce that Mason Jessing of Delta, Ohio has been offered an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland.

Mason's offer of appointment poises him to attend the United States Naval Academy this fall with the incoming Class of 2019. Attending one of our nation's military academies not only offers the opportunity to serve our country but also guarantees a world-class education, while placing demands on those who undertake one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences of their lives.

Mason brings an enormous amount of leadership, service, and dedication to the incoming Class of 2019. While attending Delta High School in Delta, Ohio, Mason was a member of the National Honor Society, Honor Roll, and Academic Excellence Award recipient.

Throughout high school, Mason was a member of his school's football, track and powerlifting teams, earning varsity letters in football. He was also an MRA motocross rider.